

REMARKS

The present amendment is being submitted as a submission under 37 CFR §1.114(c) and is intended to further the prosecution of the present application.

Summary of Rejections

Claims 1-24 were pending at the time of the Advisory Action.

Claim 1-24 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Blakley, III et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,832,211, "Blakley") and further in view of Mehring et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,609,115, "Mehring").

Summary of Response

Claims 1, 16, 19, and 22 are amended by the present response.

Claims 2-15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, and 24 remain as originally submitted or previously presented.

Summary of Claims Pending

Claims 1-24 are currently pending following this response.

Interview Summary

A telephone interview was conducted with Examiner Cristina Owen Sherr on November 8, 2006. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for her time and consideration in this matter. During the interview, Examiner Sherr suggested that independent Claims 1, 16, 19, and 22 be amended to specify the entity that is performing the actions stated in the claims. The

Examiner indicated that the art previously cited by Examiner Greene did not appear to disclose the present invention but stated that an additional prior art search would have to be conducted in order to determine allowability. Accordingly, Applicants have amended the claims as suggested by Examiner Sherr and respectfully request an additional prior art search. To that end, Applicants are submitting an RCE with the present response.

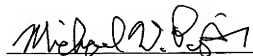
Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for full allowance for the reasons stated above, and Applicants respectfully request such allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or comments or feels it would be helpful in expediting the application, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (972) 731-2288. This correspondence is intended to be a complete response to the Advisory Action dated October 23, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any further fees associated with any of the foregoing papers submitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment thereof, to Deposit Account No. 21-0765, Sprint.

Respectfully submitted,

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